

**ROTARY CLUB OF SANTA CRUZ OFFICERS 2023 - 2024**

President..... Angelo DeBernardo  
Secretary ..... Ian Mackenzie  
Treasurer ..... Ian Mackenzie  
Sergeant-at-Arms ..... Bob Ciapponi & Jim Zenner  
President-Elect ..... Jill Stone  
Program Coordinator ..... Jill Stone

**DIRECTORS**

**SENIOR DIRECTORS**

**JUNIOR DIRECTORS**

Heather Gorley ..... Wendi Hammang – 1st Qtr. Programs  
Traci Bliss ..... Wes Walker – 2nd Qtr. Programs  
Jim Weisenstein ..... Matt Falconer – 3rd Qtr. Programs  
Bob Davidson ..... Ashley Thompson – 4th Qtr. Programs

**CLUB SERVICE - Heather Gorley**

Attendance..... Bill Bonsall  
Bulletin ..... Ashley Thompson, Gallaham Zuanich,  
Debbie Robinson & David Terrazas  
Classification ..... Ian Mackenzie  
Club Drawing..... Joel Miller  
Detective ..... Shelli Strahle  
Historian ..... Marv Jensen  
Invocations ..... Kasey Hinchman  
Membership Background ..... Gary Reece  
Red Badge Advisor/ Member Development ..... Chris Murphy  
Sarah Madsen

Music..... Michael Harrison & Sam Bishop  
Photographer ..... Donna Maurillo  
Public Relations..... Jill Stone  
Rotary Information ..... Gary Reece  
We Care..... Janet Krassow  
Web Master..... Peter Huemer  
Song Master ..... Jan Derecho  
Fellowship/Greeter ..... Michele Costa

**SPECIAL EVENTS**

Club Barbecue..... John & Linda Burroughs  
Fundraiser ..... Jill Stone  
Holiday Program..... Wes Walker

**ROTARY CLUB OF SANTA CRUZ COMMUNITY FUND**

President ..... Erik Dybdahl  
Secretary/Treasurer ..... Ian Mackenzie

**Create Hope in the World**

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**COMMUNITY SERVICE - Traci Bliss**

Benevolence and Grants..... Fred Gawlick  
Community Project ..... Traci Bliss & Fred Gawlick  
Senior Citizens..... Jeanette Pagliaro  
RotaCare ..... Larry Fogelquist  
Salvation Army Bell Ringers ..... Sam Bishop  
Beach Clean Up..... Donna Maurillo  
Avenues of Flags ..... Chris Murphy  
R.Y.L.A..... Molly Parks & Jim Courtright  
Interact ..... Molly Parks & Kris Munro  
Rotaract ..... Annie Asche  
Speech Contest..... Bob Bosso, Peter Dean & Elizabeth Hammack  
Club Youth Service Chair ..... Michele Costa  
Club Youth Protection Officer..... David Terrazas

**VOCATIONAL SERVICE - Bob Davidson**

Club Directory ..... Ian Mackenzie  
Career Planning ..... Bob Davidson  
Magazine ..... Bob Davidson  
Academic Scholarships ..... Richard Beach  
Vocational Scholarships..... Michael Harrison

**INTERNATIONAL SERVICE - Jim Weisenstein**

World Community Service..... Jim Weisenstein  
Rotary Foundation..... Annie Asche  
Youth Exchange ..... David Terrazas  
Sister City Coordinator ..... David Terrazas

**ROTARY CLUB OF SANTA CRUZ ENDOWMENT**

Chairman ..... Linda Burroughs  
Secretary..... Donna Maurillo  
Treasurer ..... Ian Mackenzie

**ROTARY INTERNATIONAL OFFICERS 2023 - 2024**

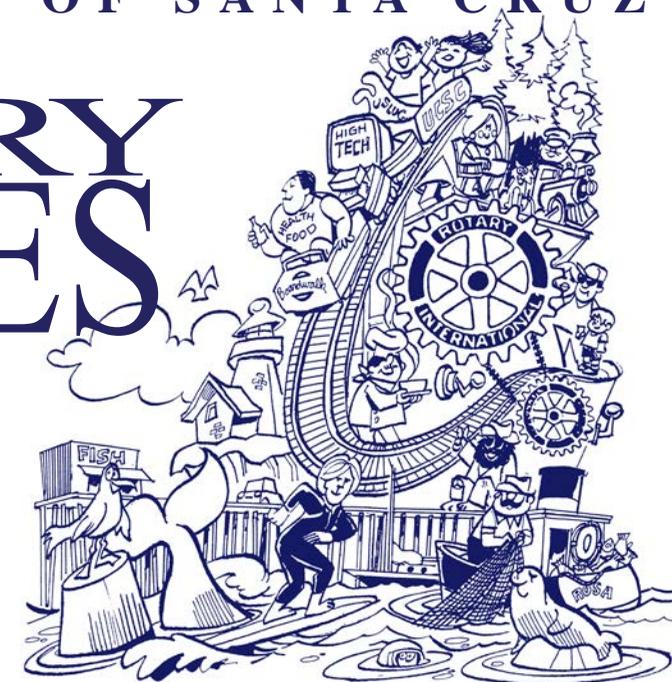
President..... Gordon R. McNally  
District Governor 5170 ..... Hung Wei  
International Convention..... Singapore  
Assistant Governor, Area 7 ..... Kristen Fabos

**CLUBS OF SANTA CRUZ COUNTY**

Scotts Valley..... Mondays 12:15 PM  
Freedom ..... Go to <https://freedomrotary.org> for meeting times  
Watsonville..... Elks Club..... Wednesdays 12:15 PM  
Santa Cruz Sunrise..... DeLaveaga Golf Course ..... Thursdays 7:15 AM  
Capitola / Aptos..... Seascape Golf Club ..... Thursdays 12:15 PM  
San Lorenzo Valley..... Scopazzi's ..... Thursdays 7:00 PM

**ROTARY CLUB OF SANTA CRUZ**

**ROTARY SPOKES**



P.O. Box 497 – Santa Cruz, CA 95061

Meets Friday at 12:15 p.m.

The Elks Lodge – 150 Jewel Street

**Create Hope in the World**

**February 23, 2024**

**President - Angelo DeBernardo**

**Editor - Debbie Robinson**

*Ed Reiskin*

*UCSC Vice Chancellor/Chief Financial Officer*

In his role, Ed is responsible for the following functions: Budget, Finance, Facilities, Procurement, Safety, Transportation, Human Resources, and Sustainability. He has more than two decades of management experience, most recently serving as Oakland’s City Administrator. Prior to that Ed served as the city’s Assistant City Administrator; and as Director of Transportation and Director of Public Works for the City and County of San Francisco. Prior to his arrival in the San Francisco Bay Area, he served as Deputy Mayor for Public Safety & Justice in Washington.

**Programs - Matt Falconer**

**Invocation: Bill Bonsall**

**Detective: Jeanette Pagliaro**

## Announcements

**2024 Rotary Night at the Santa Cruz Warriors is fast approaching** on Saturday, March 16. Tickets are \$40 center sideline and \$35 sideline (and includes a cool t-shirt!). Tickets are going fast! Pregame Happy Hour reception at Big Basin Brewery is being planned.

### **Save the date - Annual Fundraiser**

This year's fundraiser is going to be one merry and bright magical night. Please join us on Saturday, May 11 for **Miracle on Jewell Street**. Drinks are **FREE thanks to Seghetti Waxler**. Tickets are \$125/person. More details TBA soon! Interested in becoming a sponsor? Let us know at [jill@santacruzrotary.com](mailto:jill@santacruzrotary.com)

### **Service Opportunity**

Hope's Closet at 2555 Soquel Drive provides gently used clothing for youth which often enables them to stay in school. You can support this effort by shopping at the retail store (great stuff!!) or volunteering for an hour any Thursday between 11-1. Spending time helping this dedicated group is inspiring and counts as a Friday meeting make-up.

### **Last Meeting February 16, 2024**

**Invocation: Duf Fischer** Congratulations for 53 years with our club! He was happy to share a nice Irish Prayer "May those who love us, love us. And those who don't love us, may God turn their hearts and if he doesn't turn their hearts, may he turn their

ankles, so you'll know them by their limping."

**Deb Robinson was the lucky raffle winner** of the day, winning a yummy \$100 gift card to Sugo Italian Restaurant from Gary Reece.

**President Angelo** announced that the Rotary Club of Santa Cruz has already exceeded their Annual Fund goal of \$15,600, bringing in \$22,150 at mid-year. **Russ Hobbs** paid tribute to Past District Governor Loren Harper and his achievements.

**Detective Report Michael Harrison.** Happy Dollars: **Shelli Stahle** had happy dollars for her 10 year anniversary of her estate planning office. **Erik Dybdahl** had some for the **Ashley Thompson** and **Michael Harrison** for guessing which teams would end up in the Super Bowl. **Ian** shared happy \$ for finishing his last Valentines Day as a chocolatier and **Michael** had Happy \$ for Ian for taking his call on Valentine's Day. Michael had everyone guessing with his Trivia Game featuring the reigns of past Rotarian Presidents and which Academy Award winning movies won in the year of their presidency. Fun was had by all trying to guess the movies. **Wes Walker** provoked the crowd and told them it is more fun to make others pay your fine.

**Red Badge Speeches: Todd Bayless** shared fun pictures of his childhood. He was a computer science major at UC Davis and found his passion for science, building and

designing through architecture. He taught English in Japan for a year. Todd has lived in Santa Cruz for 8 years with the love of his life, his wife Masi and adorable dog Dash. He enjoys disc golf, video games, designing board games and loves backpacking. Todd is well seasoned residential architect and founded Bayless Architecture in 2023. He gave us some great advice about whether you should hire an architect or not and all about architects and what they do. We saw some of the impressive work he has done.



**Elizabeth Hammack** knew from a young age that she wanted to be a helper and a boss. She spent her career managing the interpretation and education operations in 32 state parks along the central coast and training staff statewide, she taught at West Valley College and SJSU for 18 years. She is currently consulting with non-profit organizations and working part-time as a trainer and mentor for California State Parks. Elizabeth enjoys travelling, nature, hiking and playing all types of games. She turned her red badge speech into a fun game trying to stump us with questions

about herself. Some of the fun facts we learned about Elizabeth is that she played a pivotal role in developing and opening Wilder Ranch to the public, she has not won a scrabble tournament (let her know if you hear about any tournaments), she worked on Alcatraz and has performed in many local theatre productions. Linda Burroughs team won the game and will receive a personal tour of Wilder Ranch from Elizabeth and a picnic included.



### **Club Calendar**

#### **Birthdays:**

<b>Charles Eldridge III</b>	February 19
<b>Keith McKenzie</b>	February 19
<b>Wendi Hammang</b>	February 23

#### **Next Meeting: March 1, 2024**

**Invocation** Janet Gluch

**Detective** Jeanette Pagliario

**Raffle** Galahan Zuanich

#### **Upcoming Program:**

Matt Huffaker, Santa Cruz City Manager